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1. FEEL YOUR SMOOTH HANDLING HAS CLARIFIED CASE MUCH AS POSSIBLE THROUGH DIRECT INTERVIEWS WITH ALBRECHT AND ABERG. NEXT STEP SHOULD BE TO HAVE TIPSTAFFS OR OTHER LIAISON INTERVIEW RIDDERSTRALE. RECOGNIZE THIS MAY BE SOMEWHAT DELICATE, BUT THIS INVESTIGATION OF SUCH OBVIOUS IMPORTANCE THEY CAN NOT WELL REFUSE. IN IMPORTANT CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS, WHICH THIS IS TO GREAT EXTENT, SUCH COOPERATION QUITE NORMAL.
2. IF ABERG HAS GONE TO POLICE AS YOU SUGGESTED, REST SHOULD BE EASY, BUT EVEN IF SHE HAS NOT DONE SO, SUGGEST YOU DISCUSS WITH TIPSTAFFS PROS AND CONS OF HAVING LIAISON MAKE DIRECT APPROACH TO RIDDERSTRALE. NOTE THAT IN RELATED CASES, MEXICANS AND FRENCH, BOTH VERY JEALOUS OF THEIR SOVEREIGNTY, HAVE ARRESTED AND GRILLED PERSONS BELIEVED TO KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT ASSASSINATION.

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STOC 4330 gave details of investigation of claim by Albrecht and Aberg that Ridderstrale had advance information on Kennedy assassination.

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